

(2) Accepted by an accredited educational institutional for full-time or part-time enrollment for academic credit in an educational program directly related to pollution abatement and control.

(b) Applicants for State or local agency fellowships must be current or prospective employees of a State or local agency with responsibilities for environmental pollution control, and must be recommended by the administrator, or designee, of the State or local agency. The administrator, or designee, will recommend applicants based on the State or local need for academic professional training which will enhance the capability of the State or local agency.

§ 46.135 Submission of applications.

(a) Applicants must submit their requests for assistance on EPA Form 5770-2, "Fellowship Application." Applicants must submit the original and two copies of the application and undergraduate or graduate transcripts, as appropriate, to the Grants Administration Division, Grants Operation Branch (PM-216), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street SW., Washington, DC, 20460.

(b) The applicant must submit documentation to show compliance with the eligibility requirements in § 46.130, and any additional information required by the award official. Instructions for filing are contained in the application kit.

(Information collection requirements in paragraph (a) were approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 2010-0004)

§ 46.140 Evaluation of applications.

(a) EPA will evaluate fellowship applications based upon:

- (1) Their relevance to EPA's program needs;
- (2) The availability of funds;
- (3) EPA's priorities;
- (4) Appropriateness of the fellow's proposed course of study; and
- (5) Evaluation of the applicant in terms of potential for study, as evidenced by academic record, letters of reference, training plans; and any other available information.

§ 46.145 Fellowship agreement.

(a) The fellowship agreement is the written agreement, including amendments, between EPA and a fellow. The agreement, EPA Form 5770-8, "Fellowship Agreement," will state the terms and conditions governing the fellowship.

(b) EPA will not participate in costs incurred by the fellow before both the award official and the fellow sign the agreement.

(c) The fellow must use the funds for the purposes stated in the fellowship agreement. If the fellow fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the award, the award official may apply the sanctions in 40 CFR part 30, subpart I.

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§ 46.150 Fellowship agreement amendment.

(a) The fellow must receive a formal amendment before implementing:

- (1) Changes in the objective of the agreement;
- (2) Changes in the assistance amount;
- (3) Substantial changes within the scope of the agreement; or
- (4) Changes in the project period.

(b) Fellows must submit a completed EPA Form 5770-6, "Fellowship Amendment" when requesting an amendment to the fellowship agreement.

(c) Minor changes in the agreement that are consistent with the objective of the agreement and within the scope of the agreement do not require a formal amendment before the fellow implements the change. However, such changes do not obligate EPA to provide Federal funds for any costs incurred by the fellow in excess of the assistance amount unless the award official approves the change in advance under § 46.150(a). The fellow must inform the EPA project officer in writing before implementing minor changes.

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